GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:55
ANSWERED ON:07.07.2009
HIGHWAY PROJECTS
Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set a target for constructing 20 km. of National Highway per day and is considering a plan to decentralise National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) so as to ensure effective supervision and timely implementation of Highway projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time-frame by which a final decision on the above issues are likely to be taken;

(c) whether there is any proposal to prepare annual work plan for expeditious completion of Highway projects and to give Government guarantee to the developers; and

(d) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SH. KAMAL NATH)

(a) It is the resolve of the Government to bring about substantive improvement in the process of implementation of national highways network in the country by ensuring effective supervision and timely implementation and strengthening the organizational structure of the NHAI to improve decision making efficiency in a transparent manner. Reply to the remaining parts of Question is annexed.

ANNEXURE

ANSWER TO PARTS (B) TO (D) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.55 FOR ANSWER ON 7.7.2009 ASKED BY SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJI REGARDING HIGHWAY PROJECTS.

(b) to (d) For expeditious completion of National Highways Development Project,the process of formulation of Annual Work Plans has been undertaken by the NHAI.Project Implementation Units headed by the Projects Directors have been established by the NHAI in various states to oversee the implementation of projects and administer the contracts.However,there is no proposal, at present, to give Government guarantee to the developers.